



DATE: February 25, 2015

AGENDA ITEM # 1

TO: Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Commission

FROM: Cedric Novenario, Staff Liaison

SUBJECT: Pedestrian Master Plan

RECOMMENDATION:

Review and provide comments to the revised draft of the Pedestrian Master Plan and Suggested Routes to Schools Map

BACKGROUND

The first draft of the pedestrian master plan was presented at the special BPAC meeting on December 1, 2014. At this meeting, the commission and public in attendance provided valuable comments and information to improve the readability and content of the plan.

DISCUSSION

The two major improvements suggested to the draft plan were to create an executive summary and to complete Chapter 7- Implementation. Other comments and suggestions that were made include verifying school routes against planned improvements, strengthening the language when recommending improvements, clarifying terms and removing ambiguity.

Plan Structure

The structure of the plan intends to reach two target audiences, the public (including City Council and Commissions) and City Staff.

The Executive Summary is designed to inform the general public of the current state of pedestrian facilities and programs, as well as, lay-out future pedestrian related improvements and focuses on being readable and easy to understand. The technical information and explanations in the first plan draft made the document difficult and cumbersome to read. The executive summary does not have as much technical information, but does have enough to illustrate the decisions made for the plan.

The remaining plan will contain more of the technical information, methods, criteria, tables and data that is useful to City staff when implementing future projects. This technical

portion of the report is the meat of the data and is often used when developing capital improvement projects and grant applications.

Staff requests feedback from on the revised draft pedestrian master plan and the draft SR2S maps, but with a primary focus on the executive summary and to Chapter 7. Staff plans to present this draft to the Council for their review and comments in March 2015. Unfortunately, comments received from the BPAC may not be incorporated in time for that meeting. However, during staff's presentation, additional BPAC comments will be noted to the Council.

Staff has also received comments from separate groups of interested citizens regarding the plan since the special meeting in December. Due to budget limitations, not all comments could be addressed for this version of the revised plan. However, these comments can be taken into consideration, along with Council comments, when the final draft is prepared.

As noted previous pedestrian master plan related meetings, the pedestrian master plan will be a living document with a goal to update the plan every couple of years to account for completed projects, consideration of new projects and to keep updated with current pedestrian trends.

Attachments

1. Executive Summary
2. Revised Draft Pedestrian Master Plan (Including SR2S Section)